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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

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Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed January 18, 2001, Applicant makes the following response. This response is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time and the necessary fee.

The Patent and Trademark Office has required restriction between the following claims group, which allegedly are drawn to patentably distinct inventions:

- I. Claims 1-6 and 12, drawn to a method for identifying metastatic potential of a prostate cancer cell comprising an immunoassay, class 435, subclass 7.1.
- II. Claims 1, 7-9 and 12, drawn to a method for identifying metastatic potential of a prostate cancer cell comprising a Northern hybridization assay, class 435, subclass 6.
- III. Claims 1 and 10-12, drawn to a method for identifying metastatic potential of a prostate cancer cell comprising an RT-PCR assay, class 435, subclass 91.51.